



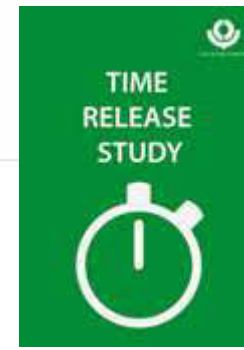
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# **Time Release Study at Georgian Customs**



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## Purpose of the study



- The WCO Time Release Study is a strategic and internationally recognized tool to measure the actual time required for the release and/or clearance of goods, from the time of arrival until the physical release of cargo, with a view to finding bottlenecks in the trade flow process and taking necessary measures to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of border procedures.
- WCO development partners are recommending it as a key performance measure to assess, evaluate, and enhance the implementation of the WTO TFA.

➤ *Study preparation and planning*

➤ *Data Collection & Analysis*

➤ *Findings*



# Involvement of stakeholders





# Study area



2013-2016- Sarpi, Poti sea port, Tbilisi CCZ, Btumi CCZ, Poti CCZ

2019-CCP Red Bridge, Poti sea port, Tbilisi CCZ

## Procedures:

- ✓ Goods under import
- ✓ Goods under transit
- ✓ Goods subject to SPS control





# Time Release Study 2016, 2019



Time between the entrance of transport means in the customs control zone and exit of the customs control zone

## TRS 2016

Regime	Minimum time	Maximum time	Average	Moda
Transit	2 min	24 min	<b>7 min</b>	<b>5 min.</b>
Import	2 min	26 min	<b>7 min</b>	<b>5 min</b>
Average	2 min	29 min	<b>7 min</b>	<b>5min</b>



## TRS 2019

Regime	Minimum time	Maximum time	Average	Moda
Transit	2 min	14 min	<b>4 min</b>	<b>4 min</b>
Import	2 min	17 min	<b>6 min</b>	<b>3 min</b>
Export	2 min	17 min	<b>5 min</b>	<b>3 min</b>



# Advance declaration

Time between the entrance of transport means into the customs control zone  
and exit of the customs control zone

Min	Max	Average	Moda
4 min	21 min	10 min 30 sec	4 min

2013

Min	Max	Average	Moda
1 min	10 min	4 min	4 min

2016

Min	Max	Average	Moda
2 min	17 min	5 min	4 min

2019





### Time on SPS control

year	min	max	average
2016	13 min	3 days 9 hr and 11 min	4hr and 46 min
2013	35 min	3 days 20 hr and 30 min	9 hr and 11 min

### Additional control

Procedure	year	min	max	average
Weighing	2016	1 min	3 min	2 min
	2013	1 min	11 min	2 min
X-ray	2016	2 min	6 min	3 min
	2013	2 min	27 min	4 min
Physical examination	2016	5 min	6 hr and 20 min	3 hr and 16 min
	2013	8 min	7 hr and 10 min	3 hr and 33 min



## Time between the unloading and the exit of the port territory

Min	Max	Average	Moda	Year
5 min	01:03 hour	14 min	<b>8 min</b>	2016
<b>1 min</b>	<b>55 min</b>	<b>3 min</b>	<b>1 min</b>	2019

CCP “Poti Sea Port”



## Time purely on customs procedures

Min	Max	Average	Moda	Year
1 min	7 min	1 min	<b>1 min</b>	2016
1 min	<b>3 min</b>	1 min	<b>1 min</b>	2019



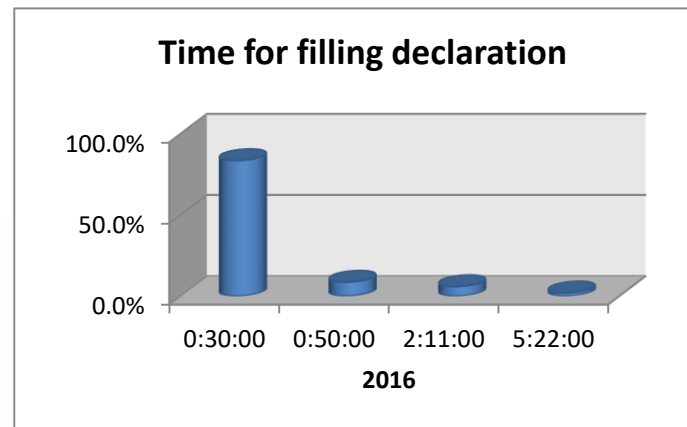


## Filling customs declaration by customs officer



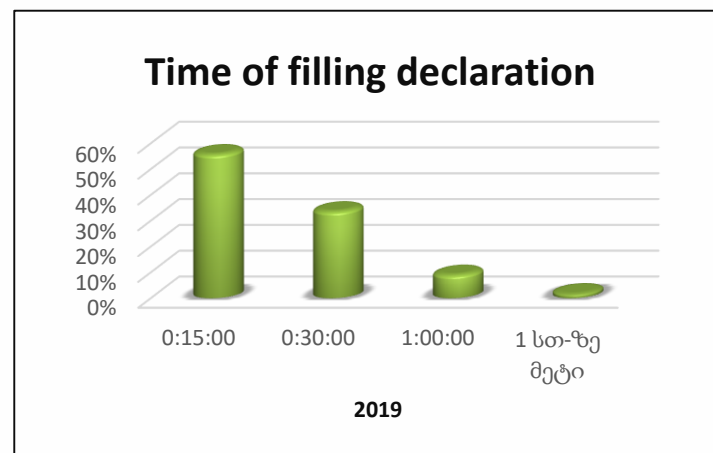
Min	Average	Maximum	Moda
10 min	20 min	5 hours 22 min	10

2016



Min	Average	Maximum	Moda
2 min	17 min	1 hour 45 min	16

2019

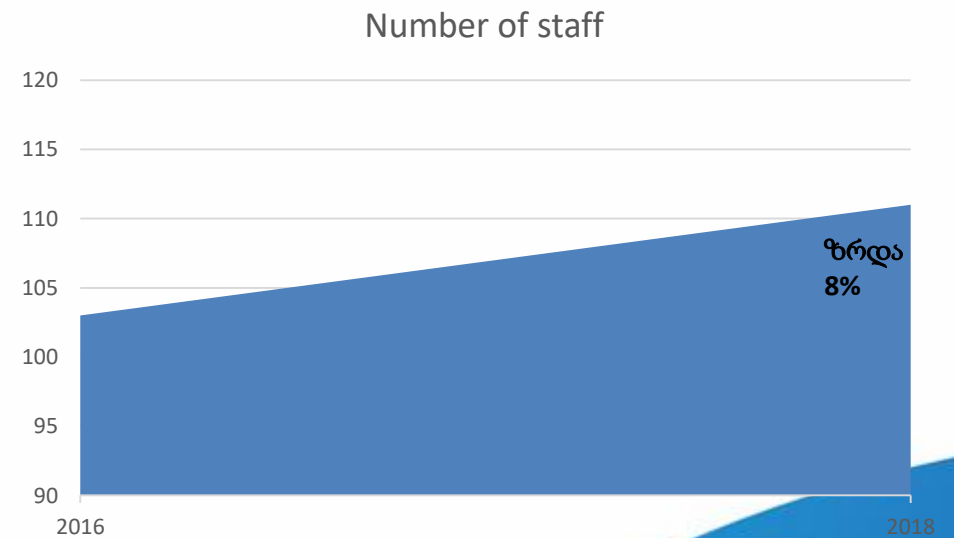
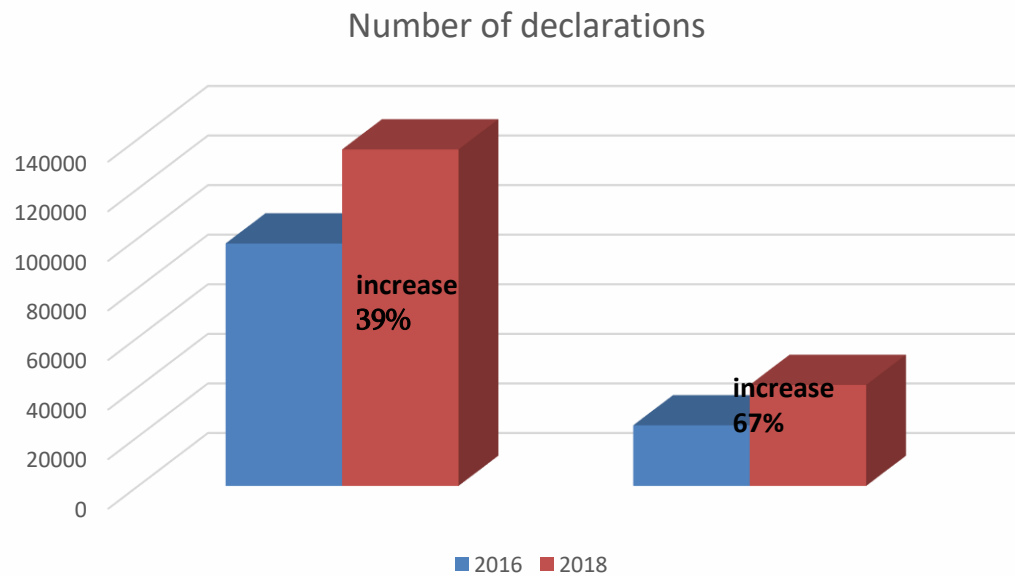




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In 2018 number of annual declarations issued, increased by 39% compared to 2016, number of advanced declarations, by 67%. number of employees increased only by 8%.





# Taxpayer satisfaction survey in CCZs



- SMS survey -conducted once a month
- Taxpayers' satisfaction survey at clearance places conducted annually via [www.rs.ge](http://www.rs.ge)



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✓ 12 place in Paying taxes

✓ 43th place in Trading Across Borders



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Average: 1.55

Involvement of trade community: 1.88

Automation: 1.85



Needs Assessment on:  
Regulatory and Procedural Barriers  
to Trade in Georgia



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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